



26th Annual General Land Office Adopt-A-Beach Fall Cleanup Set for September 22

The 26th Texas General Land Office Adopt-A-Beach Fall Cleanup will be held Saturday, September 22 at 29 sites along the Texas coast.

Adopt-A-Beach volunteers can register at most check-in locations between 8:30 a.m. and 9 a.m. on September 22. However, volunteers must pre-register for the St. Jo Island location and the John M. O'Quinn Estuarial Corridor/Virginia Point Peninsula Preserve in advance, as reservations are required due to limited access.

Online registration is currently available at texasadoptabeach.org. Volunteers can register online until September 19th.

Texans who can't make it to the beach but still want to support the volunteer effort can make a tax-deductible donation online at texasadoptabeach.org. Sponsorship levels range from \$25 to \$25,000. You can also become a fan of the Texas General Land Office Adopt-A-Beach Program on Facebook.

Adopt-A-Beach volunteers should wear closed-toe shoes, a hat and sunscreen. Volunteers will be given data cards, gloves, pencils and trash bags. Most sites along the coast conclude the day's cleanup with cold drinks, hot food and lots of fun.


The Texas Adopt-A-Beach Program originated in the fall of 1986, when 2,800 volunteers picked up 124 tons of trash. Since then, more than 430,000 volunteers have removed 8,300 tons of trash from

Texas beaches. The Texas Adopt-A-Beach Program is an all-volunteer effort to remove trash from Texas beaches and waterways and to increase public awareness of the problems of marine debris and beach litter. Twice each year, volunteers check in at sites along the coast to pick up trash.

The data collected from the beach cleanups played an integral part in the passage of MARPOL Annex V, an international treaty that prohibits the dumping of plastics in the world's oceans. In July 1991, the International Maritime Organization designated the Gulf of Mexico and the Wider Caribbean as a "special area" where the dumping of trash, with the exception of finely ground food scraps, is prohibited.

The success of the Adopt-A-Beach Program is made possible not only by the generous efforts of thousands of volunteers, but through the generous donations of community leaders and sponsors statewide.

The lead, statewide sponsors for the 26th Texas General Land Office Adopt-A-Beach Fall Cleanup are Shell Oil Company and Motiva Enterprises LLC. Other sponsors include AkzoNobel Surface Chemistry LLC, Apache Corporation, Cheniere Energy, Halliburton and the Ocean Conservancy.

To learn more about how you can get involved or for additional information on the Adopt-A-Beach Program, please visit our website at texasadoptabeach.org or call 1-877-TXCOAST. 

Don't Forget

Pick a site and come out Saturday, September 22.

Wear sunscreen, shoes, sunglasses and a hat.

Bring plenty of drinking water and mosquito repellent.

Check in by 9 a.m.

Do not disturb the habitat of nesting shorebirds.

For your safety, stay off the dunes.

Check our website for a list of hotels along the coast that offer special rates for Adopt-A-Beach volunteers.

Don't pick up hazardous materials such as hypodermic needles, sharp objects, old car batteries, condoms, animal carcasses, or other unidentified, questionable objects.

We'll clean rain or shine!

Bryce Seifert wins Trash Travels High School PSA Contest



Dripping Springs High School junior Bryce Seifert's slapstick approach to delivering the message "trash travels" earned him top honors in the Trash Travels High School PSA Contest.

"Bryce's video is funny, but still effectively delivers a serious message that litter in Central Texas

can work its way to our Gulf Coast beaches," said Texas Land Commissioner Jerry Patterson. Seifert's 30-second video is currently airing on YNN Austin, Time Warner Cable's 24-hour Central Texas news channel.

Seifert, 16, also won a private tour of Robert Rodriguez's Troublemaker Studio in Austin, two three-day 2012 ACL Tickets and a class party at Schlitterbahn Waterpark in New Braunfels.

The Trash Travels High School PSA contest was a first for the Texas General Land Office's Adopt-A-Beach Program. The contest was open to Texas students in grades 9-12 who live in Bastrop, Blanco,

Burnet, Caldwell, Fayette, Hays, Llano, Lee, Travis or Williamson counties. Entries were judged on the effectiveness of the message, creativity, educational aspects and uniqueness. "The idea of this contest was to get kids thinking about how trash travels, and try to stop it at its source," Patterson said. "Litter in Central Texas can make its way to the Gulf Coast, where we organize thousands of volunteers through the Adopt-A-Beach Program to pick it up."

Carson Carter, a junior at Cedar Park High School, won second place with his 30-second video PSA submission. Emily Cauley, a freshman at Inside Out School in Pflugerville, took third place. Both won passes to Austin Paddlesports (SUP ATX) and Schlitterbahn Waterpark in New Braunfels.

To see the winning PSAs, visit our website at glo.texas.gov/adopt-a-beach/psa-contest/index.html.



Bryce Seifert shooting video for his winning PSA.

Beach Guardian Spotlight: Apache Corporation

Apache Corporation, a Beach Guardian mile adopter, cleans a mile of beach at Pirates Beach on Galveston Island. Apache has also generously supported the Adopt-A-Beach Program over the years with financial contributions to help underwrite the costs associated with the Beach Guardian Program and the Adopt-A-Beach coastwide cleanups.

On Saturday July 14, a crew of 61 volunteers participated in Apache's third Beach Guardian cleanup for the year. Downpours of rain almost made the group cancel its cleanup, but the sun miraculously appeared and the weather turned out perfect.

This hearty group picked up 51 bags of trash, which is equivalent to 1,275 pounds. Some of the more unusual items found were a plastic Indian figure and the bottom of a slipper.

Apache sponsored its employees cleanup and provided water and lunch to them, their families and friends.

The residents of Pirates Beach were so glad to see the group out cleaning that day that they graciously let the Apache volunteers sit at their picnic tables and on their lawns to enjoy their lunch in the shade.



Apache volunteers fan out to clean Pirates Beach.

To finish off a great cleanup, the ice cream man stopped by just as volunteers were finishing lunch.

"It was a great morning and fun was had by all," said Kim Brown of Apache. "We're looking forward to participating in the Fall Cleanup on Saturday, September 22nd!"

Join Apache and many other great groups and adopt a mile of precious Texas coastline.



Texas Coastal Expo Returns to Moody Gardens in Galveston



A snake forms a living necklace for a visitor.

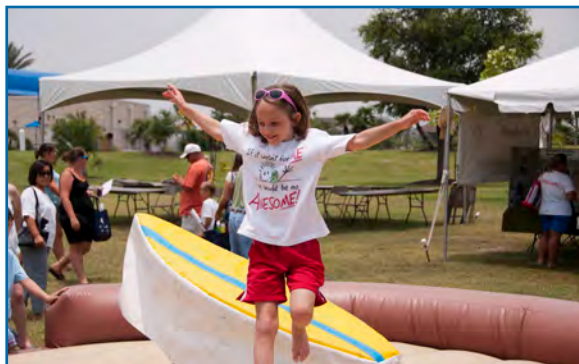
The Texas Coastal Expo returned to Galveston's Moody Gardens in June, drawing thousands of visitors to the family-friendly event. Organized and run by the Texas General Land Office, it's the biggest coastal expo in Texas.

The day got off to a shaky start as a fire in neighboring Chambers County left a strong, smoky haze all over Galveston Island. Luckily, a heavy rain washed away the smoke and cleared the air shortly before the event began, although many items were thoroughly soaked—along with some Land Office volunteers.

"Despite rain, smoke and wind, Coastal Expo again proved to be a success," said D'Anne Stites of the Land Office, who organized the huge event. "Visitors and residents learned about the Texas coast and how to protect and conserve this valuable resource."

A wide assortment of displays and activities awaited visitors, including fish printing, live aquatic and terrestrial creatures, a sand sculpture-building demonstration, a poaching exhibit, a surfing simulator, an Oil Spill Prevention and Response Program airboat and a 25-foot Coast Guard Response Boat.

Exhibits by nonprofits and both the private and public sectors demonstrated coastal conservation and



Showing perfect form on the popular surfing simulator.

wildlife preservation efforts, among other things. The Land Office had multiple exhibits about its coastal-related programs, including Coastal Resources, Adopt-A-Beach, Oil Spill Prevention and Response and Beach Watch.

The Texas A&M Sea Camp and Waterfront Operations provided free bay cruises, which proved highly popular. Expo participants were able to board the *Earl Milan*, a Texas A&M research vessel, for an hour-long trawl that concluded with an examination of the life forms found in the trawl net.



A young attendee checks out a blue crab.

This year's Coastal Expo sponsors were America's Wetland Foundation, Shaw Environmental Group, Crowder Gulf, Sullivan Land Services, Coastal Bend Bays & Estuaries Program, CCA Texas, Port Authority of Houston, Coast & Harbor Engineering, Apollo Environmental and Texas Parks & Wildlife Department.



Spellbound children study one of many species caught on free boat tours of Galveston Bay.

Texas Land Commissioner Jerry Patterson said the idea behind Texas Coastal Expo is nothing less than improving how Texans understand and care for their coast. "The more Texans know about the coast, the more they'll help to protect it," he said.

For more information on Texas Coastal Expo, go to texascoastalexp.org or find Texas Coastal Expo on Facebook.



Artwork Wins Dallas Fifth-Grader a Caribbean Cruise and More

A sea turtle curiously approaches as mysterious hands pull a soda can and a six-pack ring from the surf. Colorful fish circle a tableau of trash left by beachgoers as a horseshoe crab scoots past, oblivious. Look closer and words appear on bracelets adorning the disembodied wrists, and the message is clear: Trashing Texas Beaches Isn't Cool.

That's the scene—selected from 4,088 entries—that won 11-year-old Clayton Graves a grand prize in the 2012 Texas General Land Office Adopt-A-Beach Children's Art Contest. Clayton, a fifth-grader at J.P. Starks Elementary School in Dallas, will have his artwork featured on the cover of the 2013 Adopt-A-Beach Children's Art Contest Calendar.

"Clayton's artwork captures the elbow-grease environmentalism behind the Adopt-A-Beach Program's success," said Jerry Patterson, Commissioner of the Texas General Land Office. "When it comes down to it, Adopt-A-Beach is about picking up someone else's trash because the fish and the sea turtles and other creatures that live on the coast can't."

Clayton's artwork won him two round-trip, coach-class tickets from United Airlines to any United destination in the 48 contiguous United States, one 7-night Caribbean cruise from Royal Caribbean Cruise Lines departing out of Galveston, Miami, or Ft. Lauderdale, and a class party at Schlitterbahn Waterpark in New Braunfels. Clayton's art teacher, Peter Sebastian, also received two round-trip, coach-



Clayton Graves displays his winning artwork.
 Photo courtesy of Kye R. Lee, Dallas Morning News.

class tickets from United Airlines and one 7-night Caribbean cruise courtesy of Royal Caribbean Cruises.

A total of 39 other students from across Texas also earned honors for artwork depicting their love for the Texas coast. All finalists in the Adopt-A-Beach Children's Art Contest received a ticket to the Texas State Aquarium in Corpus Christi, two all-day passes to Schlitterbahn Waterpark in New Braunfels, two tickets to the permanent exhibit hall at the Houston Museum of Natural Science, a certificate of recognition, prizes from the Texas General Land Office and a calendar displaying the winning artwork.

Contest judges picked 10 winners in each of the four

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Congratulations to the 2012 Children's Art Contest Winners!

Grade 6

Tristan Gonzalez
 League City

Lindsey Nguyen
 Houston

Lanna Lang
 Plano

Laura Pressman
 Waco

Natalie Gomez
 Socorro

Ashley Ramirez
 Beaumont

Jesus Saenz III
 Roma

Samantha Bryant
 Austin

Zachary Montz
 Friendswood

Taylor Dohmann
 Victoria

Grade 5

Camilia Abbud
 El Paso

William Seiler
 Victoria

Gabriela Ramirez
 Rio Grande City

Alejandra Fontes
 Houston

Yzeña Castañeda
 Levelland

Clayton Graves
 Dallas

Eddie Lewis III
 Houston

Andrew Becerra
 Houston

Jozannah Orta
 Weslaco

Rafael Ramirez
 Houston

Grades 3 & 4

Priscilla Diaz
 Allen

Saray Granados
 Houston

Victoria Flores
 Houston

Stephany Peraza
 Houston

Ysabella Piccio
 Brownsville

Caroline Spence
 Richardson

Kiana Sanchez
 Driscoll

Justin Sandoval
 Houston

Cameron Ramirez
 Houston

Alexyz Garcia
 Houston

Grades K, 1 & 2

Karen Ramirez
 Houston

Sherlyn Perez
 Houston

Anjil Peña
 Driscoll

Margelle Kyle
 Friendswood

Emilia Abbud
 El Paso

Dulce Hernandez
 Houston

Presley Baldwin
 Southlake

Taylor Trevino
 Victoria

Thalia Belle Stephens
 Atascosa

Amy Hoang
 Franklin





Clayton Graves Win Art Contest

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categories: kindergarten, first-grade and second-grade; third-grade and fourth-grade; and fifth-grade and sixth-grade. Clayton's grand prize entry was selected from the list of finalists. To see the winning artwork, please visit our website at <http://www.glo.texas.gov/adopt-a-beach/artcontest/winners-2012.html>

The annual contest is organized through the Texas General Land Office's Adopt-A-Beach Program. The

contest began in 1996 to mark the 10th anniversary of the Adopt-A-Beach Program. The annual competition encourages Texas students to learn more about the Texas coast and express what they have learned in their art.

Thank you to our sponsors—Royal Caribbean Cruise Lines, United Airlines, Schlitterbahn Waterparks, the Texas State Aquarium and the Houston Museum of Natural Science. 🐠

Less trash than usual found at annual Adopt-A-Beach Spring Cleanup

7,300 Volunteers Haul Off 137 Tons of Trash

The 26th Annual Texas General Land Office Adopt-A-Beach Spring Cleanup drew 7,369 volunteers to the Texas coast on Saturday, April 28. But despite the good weather and the strong turnout, less trash was collected than usual, just 137 tons. In fact, many volunteer coordinators reported the beaches were pretty clean when they arrived with their volunteer crews.

"What I hope this means is that folks are starting to get the message that trashing Texas beaches isn't cool," said Jerry Patterson, Commissioner of the General Land Office. "The only way to really address this problem is at the source."

Adopt-A-Beach volunteers found a variety of trash: cigarette butts, soda cans, beer bottles and beach toys. This mix of litter has changed over the years that Adopt-A-Beach volunteers have walked the beaches. When the program started in 1986, the bulk of trash on Texas beaches washed ashore from international ships that simply dumped it overboard. Since then, data collected by Adopt-A-Beach volunteers has helped to pass an international shipping treaty that bans such sloppy practices and requires all oceangoing vessels to dispose of their trash responsibly while in port.

Among the more interesting items volunteers found



Volunteers clean the beach during the Spring Cleanup at Padre Island National Seashore.

were an oil filter with 10 quarts of oil, a bowling ball, a bottle with two Cuban ID cards inside, a hazmat mask, paper and plastic trash from Venezuela, Columbia and Haiti, an aluminum hand-held grenade launcher, muriatic acid, a plastic container from Russia and false teeth. Matagorda Beach yielded a message in a bottle launched from Mexico in January. The note, written in English and Spanish, contained an email address and a request to contact the author when the bottle was found.

The Adopt-A-Beach Program is one of the most successful all-volunteer efforts in the nation. In the past 26 years, 430,000 Adopt-A-Beach volunteers have picked up more than 8,300 tons of trash from the Texas Gulf Coast.

HNTB Corporation was the lead sponsor for the 26th Annual Adopt-A-Beach Spring Cleanup. Other sponsors included Halliburton, the Harris and Eliza Kempner Foundation, the Newfield Foundation, NOAA Marine Debris Program and Keep Texas Beautiful.

Thank you to our sponsors and our volunteers for making this event a huge success! 🐠

Year-end Recap

The Adopt-A-Beach Program has done a fantastic job thanks to its organized cleanup efforts, Beach Guardians and their cleanups, and all of the groups that have done special cleanups throughout the year! As of today, 17,392 volunteers have removed 301 tons of trash in 2012. Thank you for doing your part to take care of the Texas coast and keep our beaches clean.

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EACH OF THESE GROUPS COMMITTED TO CLEANING UP ITS ADOPTED
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Jefferson County

Sea Rim State Park
 The Dicharry Family + Friends
 & BCMS Science Club

McFaddin Beach
 U.S. Coast Guard Chief Petty
 Officer's Association
 Golden Triangle Chapter

Galveston County

Virginia Point Peninsula Preserve
 Maria Luisa de Moreno
 Foundation

Walter Hall Park /League City
 The Rachel Beach Bums
 & Sherryjane's Texas Country
 Music Beach Militia

Bolivar Peninsula

Fort Travis Seashore Park
 to North Jetty
 Sierra Club, Houston
 Regional Group

Sandcastle Subdivision
 The Whitecaps Crew

Ramada Beach
 The Welty Family

Rollover Pass to the East
 One Mile
 The Cypress Three

Stingaree Road adjacent to
 Stingaree Restaurant
 Beach Busters

Highway 124 & Highway 87
 intersection to the West One Mile
 Sirens

Galveston Island

East Beach (Big Reef)
 Beachy Clean

Apffel Park/East Beach
 LyondellBasell

Stewart Beach

M.A.R.S.H.
 (Marine Aquarium & Reef
 Society of Houston)

6th – 15th Streets on Seawall
 The Loggerheads

7th – 14th Streets on Seawall
 East Early College High School

Beachfront at Hotel Galvez
 Girl Scouts of Tall Pines Hill
 Service Unit

25th Street to the West One Mile
 on Seawall
 North Shore Surf Club
 & Reef Ellison & Family

27th Street Area on Seawall
 Twinkle

29th – 39th Streets on Seawall
 Surfrider Foundation, Galveston
 Chapter

45th Street to the East One Mile
 The Dillard Family

45th - 53rd Streets on Seawall
 Ball High School LULAC Youth
 Council #12
 & Paul Jones

61st Street Pier
 Southern Spears Surf Shop

61st Street to the East One Mile
 Oppe Elementary

61st Street to the West One Mile
 Student Council District 7/13

7-Mile Road to just East of
 Woody's Bar
 Hoofprints & Memories

Sunny Beach (8 Mile Road)
 Fugro Global Environmental
 & Ocean Sciences

End of 8-Mile Road (Bayside)

College of the Mainland
 Biology Club

Spanish Grant Subdivision
 Greater Houston Chapter, Ameri-
 can Association of Zoo Keepers

Bermuda Beach
 Venture Crew 683

Pirates Beach
 Rice Environmental Club

Pirates Beach West
 Apache Corporation

13-Mile Road
 Halliburton

Galveston Island State Park
 (Eastern Half)
 Houston MINI Motoring Society

Galveston Island State Park
 (Western Half)
 Nexen Petroleum & Pacific
 Drilling Services

Jamaica Beach
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Terramar Beach
 Terramar Beach Community
 Improvement Association

Sea Isle
 The Lamar Beach Bums

Galveston Beach Side
 of San Luis Pass
 Shell Oil Company

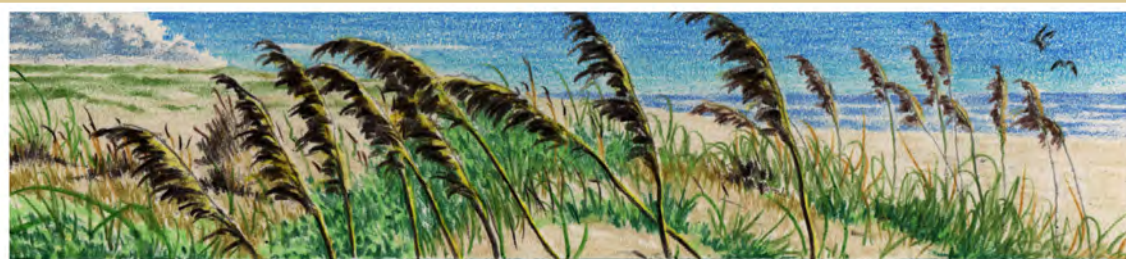
Galveston Bay Side
 of San Luis Pass
 Academy Aquatics
 & Environmental Classes

Brazoria County

Surfside Beach—Mile 0
 Alpha Phi Omega of Metropolitan
 Houston & Dohman Specialties



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Mile 4
 Devin & Deb

Mile 9
 Googley Beach Lovers

Mile 10
 Phillips 66 Company

Mile 11
 Brazoria County Precinct 1
 Commissioner Donald "Dude"
 Payne

Mile 12
 BASF Corporation

Mile 13
 Low Forty Roping & Riding Club

Mile 14
 Surfrider Foundation – Upper
 Coast Chapter

Jetties Eastward off Surf Drive
 Laura Rudek

Jetty Park
 Keep Surfside Beach Beautiful

Matagorda County Matagorda Island

Sunday Beach
 Ken & Cindy Haenel

San Patricio County Portland

Sunset Lake Park
 Aneita Ortiz-Cedano

Nueces County Aransas Pass

Redfish Bay Area
 /Highway 361 Causeway
 Aransas Pass Chapter of
 Texas Kayak Fisherman.Com

Port Aransas

Mile Marker 19 area
 Texas Gulf Coast Recycling

Horace Caldwell Pier
 to South Jetties
 Surfrider Foundation, Central
 Texas Chapter

Horace Caldwell Pier
 to Sandcastle Drive
 Kelly Blanchette

Access Road 2 to Mustang
 Island State Park
 Texas General Land Office
 Employees

Fish Pass Jetties to the North
 One Mile
 The Expedition School

Mustang Island State Park
 Kites in Flight Academy

Corpus Christi

North Beach at Texas State
 Aquarium
 Tuloso-Midway High JROTC

Burleson Beach Park
 Taft Student Council

Swatner Park
 Sparkling Beach by the City

Beachfront at Texas A&M
 University
 Texas A&M University Volleyball
 & Baseball Teams

North Padre Island

Bob Hall Pier and Padre Balli
 Park Area
 VT-27 Lady Boomers

Whitcap South One Mile
 to Padre Balli Park
 Team Onion

Southside of Packery Channel
 from the seawall bollards to jetty
 SoPac Beach Bums

Access 6
 The Vann's

J.P. Luby Park, North
 Packery Channel
 North Packery Beach Bums

Kleberg County

Padre Island National Seashore
 Mile 1 of South Beach
 Charlie's Place Alumni Association

Cameron County South Padre Island

Jetties to the North One Mile,
 Isla Blanca Park
 Friends of Isla Blanca Park

Jetties to Dolphin Cove
 Surfrider South Chapter

Schlitterbahn beachfront
 to the North One Mile
 Interarchitex

City Beach Access #3
 Keep South Padre Island Beautiful

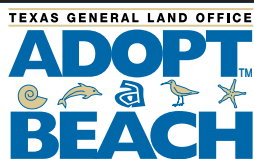
City Beach Access #18
 Zoë and London Buddin

Access 2 on Highway 100
 Robbins Family

Zone 1, Access 2,
 Andy Bowie Park
 HEB #383

Zone 2, Access 2,
 Andy Bowie Park
 Wal-Mart Store #413





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Cleanup Sites and Local Coordinators

Sea Rim State Park Jefferson County

Check-in: Park entrance, 10 miles west of Sabine Pass on Highway 87 South
Contact: Tracy Ferguson
409-971-2559
tracy.ferguson@texasadoptabeach.org
Jan Dicharry 409-920-9082
jan.dicharry@texasadoptabeach.org

McFaddin Beach Jefferson County

Check-in: McFaddin Beach entrance
1.9 miles west of Sea Rim State Park on Hwy. 87
Contact: Mark Guzman
409-896-5555 ext. 135
mark.guzman@texasadoptabeach.org

Chambers County

Check-in: 1 mile east of the intersection of Highways 124 and 87 at the beach
Contact: Lana Yawn 409-267-2644
lana.yawn@texasadoptabeach.org
Patti Kahla 409-267-1370
Angela Hale 409-267-2647

Horsepen Bayou—Harris County

Check-in: Clear Lake High School,
2929 Bay Area Blvd.
Contact: Andrew Schaafs 832-818-1381
andrew.schaafs@texasadoptabeach.org

Bolivar Peninsula Galveston County

Check-in: Crenshaw Elementary, 416 Hwy
87, about 7 miles from the ferry landing
Contact: Denise Parsons 409-795-1046
denise.parsons@texasadoptabeach.org
Janis Bridgers
janis.bridgers@texasadoptabeach.org
Mary Munro
mary.munro@texasadoptabeach.org

The John M. O'Quinn I-45 Estuarial Corridor & Virginia Point Peninsula Preserve Galveston County

Check-in: Exit 6 off I-45 at Reitan Point
Contact: Evangeline Whorton
979-234-2096 or 409-744-7431
409-789-4996 (cell)
evangeline.whorton@texasadoptabeach.org

*Reservations required

Galveston Island Galveston County

Check-in: Menard Park, 27th & Seawall
Blvd.
Contact: Gary Schero or Arielle Brown
409-762-3363
gary.schero@texasadoptabeach.org

Surfside—Brazoria County

Check-in: Stahlman Park, C.R. 257
(Bluewater Highway)
Contact: James Glover, Brazoria County
Parks Department 979-864-1541
james.glover@texasadoptabeach.org

Quintana, Bryan Beach Brazoria County

Check-in: Quintana Beach County Park,
5th St.
Contact: Patty Brinkmeyer
979-233-1461
patty.brinkmeyer@texasadoptabeach.org

Sargent Beach, Bay City Matagorda County

Check-in: Sargent Beach entrance
Contact: Lamar Brown
Tony Pustejovsky 979-244-6144
lamar.brown@texasadoptabeach.org

Matagorda Beach Matagorda County

Check-in: Matagorda Jetty Park
Contact: Peggy Stanley
979-863-2920 or 979-216-6016 (cell)
peggy.stanley@texasadoptabeach.org

Palacios—Matagorda County

Check-in: Marine Education Center, 102
Marine Center Drive
Contact: Cynthia Garrett
979-532-0797 or 979-533-0808 (cell)
cynthia.garrett@texasadoptabeach.org
Mary Kathryn Niccolai 361-972-3774
mary.niccolai@texasadoptabeach.org

Magnolia Beach/Indianola Calhoun County

Check-in: Crabbin' Bridge
Contact: Rhonda Cummins
361-552-9747
rhonda.cummins@texasadoptabeach.org

King Fisher Beach, Port O'Connor Calhoun County

Check-in: Pavilion at King Fisher Beach
Contact: Debbie Gayle
361-552-3200 (daytime)
361-983-4647 (evening)
debbie.gayle@texasadoptabeach.org

Austwell Pier—Refugio County

Check-in: Austwell Pier
Contact: Dwight Mutschler
361-286-3762
austwellredfish@texasadoptabeach.org

Rockport—Aransas County

Check-in: Rockport Beach Park
beachfront pavilion
Contact: Kerry Goodall
361-729-6661
kerry.goodall@texasadoptabeach.org

Aransas Pass/Redfish Bay Nueces County

Check-in: Lighthouse Lakes Park, 4 miles
east of Aransas Pass on Hwy. 361
Contact: Richard Gonzales
361-779-7351
richard.gonzales@texasadoptabeach.org

Portland—San Patricio County

Check-in: Sunset Lake Park, 201 Sunset
Drive, adjacent to Highway 181
Contact: Aneita Ortiz-Cedano
361-816-1766
aneita.cedano@texasadoptabeach.org

St. Jo Island/Port Aransas Nueces County

Check-in: 8:00 a.m. – Fisherman's Wharf,
900 Tarpon St.
Contact: Deno Fabrie 361-749-0256
deno.fabrie@texasadoptabeach.org

*Limited access – reservations required

Port Aransas—Nueces County

Check-in: Avenue G at the beach
Contact: Deno Fabrie 361-749-0256
deno.fabrie@texasadoptabeach.org

Mustang Island State Park Corpus Christi—Nueces County

Check-in: 17047 State Hwy. 361
Contact: Mike Mullenweg 361-749-5246
mike.mullenweg@texasadoptabeach.org

Corpus Christi Beach Nueces County

Check-in: Texas State Aquarium
2710 North Shoreline Blvd.
Contact: Kara Hahn 361-881-1259
kara.hahn@texasadoptabeach.org

Cole Park (Kid's Place), Corpus Christi—Nueces County

Check-in: 1526 Ocean Drive
Contact: Angela Gonzalez 361-826-3673
angela.gonzalez@texasadoptabeach.org

North Padre Island, Corpus Christi—Kleberg County

Check-in: Padre Balli Park Office,
15820 Park Rd. 22
Contact: Jim Needham—Surfrider
Foundation 361-825-2708
james.needham@texasadoptabeach.org
Todd Dwyer 361-853-9877
todd.dwyer@texasadoptabeach.org
Ilene Jantz 361-563-4119
ilene.jantz@texasadoptabeach.org

Padre Island National Seashore Kleberg County

Check-in: Malaquite Visitor Center,
20420 Park Road 22
Contact: William "Buzz" Botts
361-949-8068
buzz.botts@texasadoptabeach.org

Baffin Bay, Loyola Beach, Riviera Kleberg County

Check-in: Kaufer-Hubert Park, FM 628
Contact: Susan Ivy 361-595-8591
susan.ivy@texasadoptabeach.org

South Padre Island Cameron County Parks—Cameron County

Check-in: Andy Bowie Park,
Access Road #2, Highway 100
Contact: Monica Vela 956-761-5494
Clemente Valdez 956-761-3704
monica.vela@texasadoptabeach.org

South Padre Island City Beaches Cameron County

Check-in: Town Beach Access #3 Gulf
Blvd. between Palm & Corral Street
Contact: Elaine Sanchez 972-467-7584
elaine.sanchez@texasadoptabeach.org

Boca Chica—Cameron County

Check-in: End of Highway 4 at the beach
Contact: Lucy Martinez Hilliard
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Corpus Christi

KRIS-TV, NBC
KORO-TV, Univision
& Telefutera
Malkan Broadcasting

Houston

KXLN-TV, Univision
CBS Radio

Rio Grande Valley

KGBT-TV, CBS
KTLN-TV, Telemundo
Entravision Radio

Victoria

KAVU-TV, ABC
KVCT-TV, FOX
KMOL-TV, NBC
KVTX, Telemundo
KUNU-TV, Univision
Town Square Media